

February 14, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town of Otisco held February 14, 2022
At 7:00 PM at the Otisco Town Hall, 1924 Barker Street, Tully, New York with the following present:

PRESENT: Supervisor Glenn Hall
Councilman Scott Eipp
Councilman Peter J. Murphy
Councilman Jesse Spaulding
Councilman Roger Volles

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Burns, Rusty Stokes, Art Harty, Bill Kehrer, John Rybinski, Highway Superintendent, Douglas Hoffman; Financial Advisor, Thomas Chartrand: Georgette T. Waldau, Town Clerk; Craig Billinson, Attorney for the Town.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Supervisor Glenn Hall and the pledge to the flag was given.

The minutes of the January 10, 2022 Organizational Meeting Regular Monthly Meeting were made available via email.

Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to approve the minutes.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

HIGHWAY REPORT Highway Superintendent Douglas Hoffman gave the following report:

Trucks still are not ready , waiting for parts.
New Pickup quote
Speed Signs are ordered.
3 workers out with Covid plus myself. All are back
Change specs on skidsteer
Checking on a price for a new generator for the new building

RESOLUTION #22

Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Spaulding and seconded by Councilman Scott Eipp authorizing Highway Superintendent Douglas Hoffman to purchase a 2022 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD for \$49,589.43, under County Contract #PC69236. This resolution is to supersede Resolution #21 made at the January 2022 Town Board Meeting.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Motion was made by Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Peter Murphy to accept the December 2021 Supervisors Report and approve the following transfer of appropriations for December 2021.

GENERAL FUND

From: A1420.4	Attorney	Contractual	\$4,600.00
A1990.4	Contingent	Contractual	4800.00
A1991.4	Conventions	Contractual	2000.00
		Total	11,400.00

To: A1620.2	Building	Equipment	\$800.00
A1410.4	Town Clerk	Contractual	50.00
A1620.2	Buildings	Equipment	200.00
A1620.4	Buildings	Contractual	1250.00
A5182.4	Street lighting	Contractual	600.00
A7110.2	Parks	Equipment	8000.00
A1620.4	Buildings	Contractual	300.00
A9060.8	Employment Benefits	Hosp.& Medical	200.00
		Total	11,400.00

HIGHWAY FUND

From: DA5130.2	Machinery	Equipment	\$1000.00
		Total	1000.00

To: DA5130.4	Machinery	Contractual	\$1000.00
		Total	\$1000.00

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Peter Murphy to accept the Supervisors Report for the January 2022 and approve the following transfer of appropriations.

HIGHWAY FUND

From:	DA599	Surplus	Closing Balance for 2021	\$1,393,000.00
			Total	1,393,000.00
To:	DA5110.4	General Repairs	Contractual	\$403,000.00
	DA5130.2	Machinery	Equipment	990,000.00
			Total	\$1,393,000.00

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp and Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles to approve the Bank Reconciliation presented to the Town Board from Financial Advisor Thomas Chartrand.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

The General and Highway bills were audited. Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to pay the bills out of the proper funds. They are General Fund Abstract #2 \$396,510.95 and Highway Fund Abstract #2 for \$20,382.38.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

FROM THE FLOOR

John Rybinski addressed the Town Board as to whether the board made a decision on opting out or not the Holiday Hunting. The Board decided to table their decision until the next meeting in March.

Robert Burns addressed the Town Board regarding the Tully Rotary offering a selection of tree seedlings and the possibility of the town using some for the Walking Trail. Highway Superintendent Douglas Hoffman felt it might be difficult to plant them at this time because the Walking Trail is not complete and trucks will be driving on parts of the trail.

Art Harty, Rusty Stokes, and Bill Kehrer were here to discuss a cell tower at the Fire Department, 1933 State Route 80. Attorney Craig J. Billinson met with them and discussed the Site Agreement.

DISCUSSIONS

Clay Road

The Board discussed Clay Road. It was decided to keep Clay Road a season road.

Lords Hill Apartments

Attorney Craig J. Billinson discussed the issue the town is having with inspection of the Lords Hill Apartment. Our Local Law states that apartments be inspected every 3 years. Several letters have been sent regarding this matter with no response. Attorney Craig J. Billinson will contact Code Enforcement Officer Robert Hayes to see if he has had any contract with Jones & McEwen, owners of the Lords Hill Apartment. It should also be noted that the town is not responsible for sewage problems it is handled by the DEC.

At 8:20 PM Supervisor Glenn Hall informed those present the town board would be entering into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and these discussions should take place in Executive Session with the board meeting in private since issues relating to town personnel matters were to be addressed, and that disclosure of these discussions at this time could impact the town board ability to address these matters in the interests of the town and the public. Motion was made by Councilman Peter Murphy and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to adjourn the monthly meeting and enter into Executive Session.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Spaulding and seconded by Councilman Scott Eipp to move out of Executive Session at 8:50 PM and to reconvene the Town Board Meeting.

RESOLUTION # 23

Motion was made Councilman Roger Volles and seconded by Councilman Jesse Spaulding to authorize Attorney Craig J. Billinson to amend collective bargaining with the Teamsters to add laborer position and the board review and ratify at the next meeting.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

THE ANNUAL AUDIT MEETING

Town Clerk Audit for 2021

Marriage Licenses	3	\$30.00
Marriage License Fees	3	52.50
Miscellaneous Fees (Cable TV Commission)	3	11,354.57
Town Clerk Fees Redemption fees	3	3,866.07
Building Permits	34	12,713.70
Conservation	20	60.72
Dog Licensing		
Female spayed	45	270.00
Female unspayed	1	12.00
Male, neutered	33	198.00
Male unneutered	7	84.00
Purebred Licenses	1	65.00
Total Local Shares		\$28,706.56
NYS Ags & Market		\$133.00
NYS Environment Conservation		2092.28
State Health Dept.		67.50
	Total Local Non Local	\$2292.78
Total State, County & Local Revenues		\$30,999.34

Georgette T. Waldau
Town Clerk

Town Justice Court

Penal Law	11		
VTL	70		
Civil	4	Total Cash	\$ 3767.00
PRL	3	Total C. Cards	1273.00
DEC	4	Total Checks	1413.00
DWI	12	Total Deposits	6453.00
Speeding	49		
Small Claims	2		

Georgette Waldau
Court Clerk

2021 Property Tax Collection Summary

\$1,761,913.55	Due Supervisor per Warrant
0	Tax Roll Corrections
\$3,591.14	Penalties and Fees Collected
14.61	Interest on Checking Account
10.49	Misc. E-tax adjustments
\$1,765,529.29	Adjusted Supervisor's Total
1,761.913.55	Previously Paid to Supervisor
\$3616.24	Final Payment – check #916
100.00	Petty Cash - check #917

Cheryl Brunet
Tax Collector

The Town Board has audited the records of the Court, Town Clerk and Tax Collector for the year 2021. Motion was made by Roger Volles and seconded by Jesse Spaulding to accept these Reports.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

RESOLUTION # 24

Motion was made by Councilman Jesses Spaulding and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles authorizing the Town of Otisco to implement a program for partial payments of County real property taxes to be accepted by the Town Tax Collector.

1. Each payment shall be any amount of the total unpaid current year property taxes.
2. No more than 4 partial payments may be accepted during January 1, 2022 through March 31,2022.
3. The first partial payment may be made at any time. If the first payment is made after the initial penalty free period, penalties will apply.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Jesse Spaulding and seconded by Councilman Roger Volles at 9:30 PM.

All in favor, motion carried
(Hall, Murphy, Volles, Eipp, Spaulding) Ayes 5 Noes 0